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Jug Band Plays the Stage at Happy Days

Brecksville, Ohio - On Saturday, April 21, 2007, Mountains Rose welcomes *The Juggernaut Jug Band* to the stage at 8 p.m. at Happy Days Visitor Center. Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) and Cuyahoga Valley National Park Association (CVNPA) are hosting this event as part of the Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series. The Cuyahoga Valley Heritage Series celebrates the cultural legacy of the Cuyahoga Valley. Admission: \$12 adults, \$7.50 children 3 - 12, in advance. Tickets are \$15 for adults at the door. Doors open at 7 p.m. General seating. Advance ticket sales are available by calling (330) 657-2909.

The Juggernaut Jug Band refers to what they do as jazzy jug band music played on washboards, washtubs, kazoos, jugs, and various other sundries. The music isn't only jazz, but also blues, ragtime, swing, and original music combined in a strange concoction called jug band music. Jug bands flourished in towns along the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers in the 1920's and 30's. Much as New Orleans spawned Dixieland Jazz, Louisville, home of *The Juggernaut Jug Band* was the birthplace of jug music.

Each performance is a challenge to the audience to have as much fun as the band. Don't let their antics fool you; their exuberant music is the result of skillfully conceived arrangements, unusual instrumentation, and unique vocal harmonies. Band members include Roscoe Goose on first jug, washboard, and trumpet; The Amazing Mr. Fish on walking bass and washtub bass; Skip Tracer on guitar, mandolin, banjo and vocals; and Smiley Habanero playing guitar.

To obtain a digital image of *The Juggernaut Jug Band*, contact Karen Kopchak at karen_kopchak@nps.gov or (440) 546- 5994.

Create your own subscription series and enjoy three great concerts for one low price. No cash refunds, but tickets may be exchanged until ten days before the concert. \$40 adults, \$25 CVNPA members, and \$15 children 3 - 12. For more information about the subscriber series, call (330) 657-2909.

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Upcoming Concerts:

Saturday, April 28: John Gorka (Singer/Songwriter)

Saturday, May 5: Rani Arbo and *daisy mayhem* (Stringband) Friday, May 18: Back of the Moon (Traditional Scottish)

Saturday, May 26: Peggy Seeger and John McCutcheon (Traditional

Folk/Singer/Songwriter)*

*These concerts have special pricing and are not available as part of a subscription package.

Happy Days Visitor Center is located at 500 West Streetsboro in Peninsula, I mile west of State Route 8, is a restored Civilian Conservation Corps structure that provides a rustic ambiance for folk and traditional concerts, theater, lectures, and ranger-led programs.

Mountain Rose is a volunteer run organization that presents folk, traditional, and singer-songwriter performers in Kent and Cuyahoga Valley National Park. For more information visit www.mountainroseconcerts.org.

CVNP encompasses 33,000 acres along the Cuyahoga River between Cleveland and Akron, Ohio. Managed by the National Park Service, CVNP combines cultural, historical, recreational, and natural activities in one setting. For more information visit www.nps.gov/cuva or www.dayinthevalley.com or call (216)524-1497 or (800)445-9667.

CVNPA, in partnership with the National Park Service and CVNP, provides innovative education programs and fosters community awareness, support, and enjoyment of the park. For more information about CVNPA and its membership program, visit www.cvnpa.org or call (330) 657-2909.